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TAKE MEASURES AGAINST TREE INSECTS

COMMISSION TO COMBAT PLANT PESTS --- Katowice Dziennik Zachodni, 31 May 50

A Scientific Research Commission to combat plant pests was set up in the Economic Planning Committee.

The commission, composed of scientists, research institutes directors, representatives of commerce and industry, and of the Ministries of Agriculture, Forestry, and Health, will coordinate the work of combatting plant pests. The participation of the Ministry of Health will permit extensive research in the methods of combatting disease carriers.

Engr Seweryn Zajac of the Central Office of the Chemical Industry is chairman of the commission, which will begin operations in June. At the first meeting, the commission will discuss the production and distribution of insecticides and study a long-range plan for their distribution.

COCKCHAFERS DESTROY TREES -- Poznan Glos Wielkopolski, 23 May 50

Swarms of cockchafers are destroying young fruit trees in Gostyn and Rawicz powiats. The beetles have devoured 50 percent of the young trees and left them in a deplorable state.

Unless the government takes drastic measures immediately to check the plague, the trees will be ruined.

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